

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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BACKWARD STATES DEVELOPMENT FUND
Satpathy Shri Tathagata

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) Whether the Government has formulated guidelines for allocation of financial assistance from the Backward States Development Fund ;
- (b) If so, the details thereof ;
- (c) The States which have benefited from this Fund; and
- (d) The amount earmarked for allocation to States during the current financial year ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE SHRI S.S. PALANIMANICKAM

- (a)&(b) : No, Sir. The guidelines for the Backward Regions Grant Fund are yet to be finalized by Planning Commission.
- (c)& (d) : Does not arise.